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### **Practice Patience Behind the Wheel**

Aggressive driving is a serious traffic safety concern. And, it is more than just speeding. It's a whole series of traffic violations including:

- Speeding
- Tailgating
- Failing to yield the right of way
- Running stop signs and red lights
- Making unsafe lane changes
- Passing on the shoulder
- Overtaking a stopped school bus

When a driver commits three of these specified offenses in a single incident, that person will be charged with an aggressive driving violation. Try to pay attention to the way you drive today. Do you find yourself exceeding the speed limit at times? Rolling through a stop sign? Following too closely? OHS suggests practicing patience behind the wheel. The next time you are driving, give these positive behaviors a try:

- Give yourself plenty of time to reach your destination.
- Always stay calm and in control when behind the wheel.
- Obey all posted signs and signals.
- Avoid sudden lane changes and always signal your intentions.
- Use caution when merging into traffic, and be aware of your lane position.

Finally, remember to pay attention to the drivers around you. If you are calm and in control, perhaps the others around you will be, too.

**Drive Safe. Arrive Alive DE.**